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For : HUMAN MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY FAB FRAGMENTS

DIRECTED AGAINST HCV E2 GLYCOPROTEIN AND ENDOWED WITH IN VITRO NEUTRALIZING ACTIVITY

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Sir/Madam:

AMENDMENT IN REPSONSE TO SPETEMBER 6, 2007 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment and Petition are submitted in response to the Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on September 6, 2007. A response to the September 6, 2007 Office Action was originally due on December 6, 2007. A three-month extension of time and Request for Continues Examination is being submitted with this Amendment. The deadline to file a response is now March 6, 2008. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely submitted.

Claim Amendment Fee Calculation

		Claims remaining after amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate (SMALL Entity)	Additional Fee
T	otal	18	Minus	21	0	X \$25.00	\$0.00
I	nd.	3	Minus	3	0	X \$100.00	\$0.00

In response to the September 6, 2007 Final Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 13 of this paper